On Cd 0830 11/13/07

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RAVALLI COUNTY 215 So. 4 Th. HAMILTON, MT. 59840

RE: DECLARATION OF DROUGHT STATUS FOR RAVALLI, COUNTY

## COMMISSIONERS;

THE RAVALLI COUNTY COMMITTEE FOR THE FARM SERVICE AGENCY IS REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONERS TO CONTACT GOVERNER SCHWEITZER TO HAVE HIM DECLARE DISASTER STATUS FOR RAVALLI COUNTY.

DUE TO RECORD HIGH TEMPERATURES AND SEVERAL YEARS OF DROUGHT CONDITIONS, RAVALLI COUNTY PRODUCERS HAVE EXPERIENCED LOSS OF GRAIN PRODUCTION, HAY PRODUCTION, AND GRAZING. BY HAVING THE GOVERNOR DECLARE DISASTER STATUS, THE RAVALLI COUNTY PRODUCERS WOULD BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR ANY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS WHICH MAY BECOME AVAILABLE.

YOUR PROMT ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY ALL INVOLVED IN AGRICULTURE.

SINCERELY,

TONY COLLER

COUNTY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
RAVALLI COUNTY COMMITTEE/ FARM SERVICE AGENCY
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